

RADICAL FACTION TO MAKE LIQUOR BILL MORE DRASTIC

Enforcement Bill May Be Vetted if Provisions Are too Drastic, Warning Given Radicals

FARMERS COULD NOT MAKE APPLE CIDER

Conservatives Fear Radicals Will Go too Far and May Cause Revulsion of Feeling on the Liquor Question

Washington, July 16.—The prohibition enforcement bill as drafted by the radical section of the dry forces is so drastic that it might create a revolution of feeling throughout the country on the whole liquor question, according to conservative members of the prohibition faction, when they began an effort to modify the more drastic provisions of the bill. Defeat in the senate if too severe restrictions were added to the enforcement bill, was the warning given by the conservatives to the radical element.

Word was spread during the day that other prohibitionists were preparing to write into the bill a provision, stricken out by the committee, which would prohibit a man's "using" any little liquor he might happen to have around the house. Under the bill now before the house, it is extremely doubtful, a member of the judiciary committee said today, whether a person could give a drink of whiskey to a friend at his own fire-side without running the risk of arrest. There were many informal conferences at which some of the drastic provisions of the bill, as pointed out by Representative Pou, democrat of North Carolina, and a pioneer prohibitionist, were called up like a bar-room ghost to keep the radicals from going too far.

The farmer's wife who makes a quart of blackberry wine at home for use in her own family, Mr. Pou said, could be prosecuted and sent to jail. The farmer's home, where a little cider is made for the family, would be a nuisance under the law, according to Mr. Pou, who declared that Russia in the days of the czar's highest power never made a law that was so far-reaching.

Members from some of the southern states were questioned by eastern and western representatives as to the volume of liquor turned out by mountain distillers and known as "moonshine." This was a question on which they were unable to give first-hand information. Mr. Pou told the house the other day that in a dozen states that have already adopted prohibition there are in operation more illicit stills than there ever were saloons at any time in the history of those states.

But while some of the radicals express confidence that they will be able to amend the bill so as to make it even more drastic than the committee attempted, Chairman Volstead told members today he was satisfied that it would go through now as substantially drawn. It has stood up under the attack of anti-prohibitionists who have failed to eliminate a single section, and Mr. Volstead believes those who are bent on making it still more drastic will yield to cooler heads who insist it should be passed in its present form.

Indications tonight were that consideration of the measure would not be resumed tomorrow.

"Unless set aside by special rule, the house could take up this bill tomorrow and reach a vote by Saturday," said Representative Igoe, democrat of Missouri, in charge of the minority fight against it. This prediction was based, however, on the assumption that the radical element would not attempt finally to force through added restrictions.

WHEAT CROP COMES UP TO ADVANCE NOTICES

Yields From 14 to 35 Bushels and Quality Is Fair Considering Hot Weather and Excessive Rain

Yates, Center, July 15.—(Special).—Woodson county has just completed the biggest wheat harvest in its history, and it was all saved. Threshing crews are busy taking care of it and where the farmers cannot get machines at once, they are stacking. The wheat crop in this county went from twenty bushels to thirty-one bushels to the acre. E. W. Naylor finished threshing yesterday and his crop made thirty-one bushels to the acre. The indications are that a large acreage will be put in again this fall in this county.

FARMER EMPLOYS MEN BY SIGN LANGUAGE

Harvest Hands Hop Off Freight and Pile Into Automobile Without Uttering a Word to New Boss

Salina, July 15.—(Special).—Sullivan Russell, a farmer near Hays, in need of harvest hands, sent his brother on Sunday to a nearby town in search of two men. En route the brother met a freight train going west. It was covered with men as thick as black birds in a cherry tree. The brother had passed through two towns without finding men and on the theory that the men on the train were harvest hands he turned his car around and chased the train which was a fast one. Young Russell's car had to make fifty miles an hour to catch it. Getting even with the train he engaged two men in conversation by the sign language, indicating with two fingers that he wanted two men and with all the fingers on both hands spread apart and held up indicated that he would pay \$10 a day. When the train stopped at Victoria two men left the train, climbed into the car and were off without exchanging a word with the driver, all the arrangements having been made by the sign language while the car was traveling between forty and fifty miles an hour beside the railroad train.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL ALUMNI TO ORGANIZE

Manhattan, Kan., July 16.—Agricultural college alumni are going to form an organization in every county in Kansas. All graduates and former students will be asked to become members. The county organizations will be branches of the general association.

Pointing out to the college opportunities for service in the various counties of the state will be one of the principal functions of the organizations, which will also, however, be social.

WOULD PAY TRIBUTE TO THE FAITHFUL WAR ANIMALS

Boston, July 17.—Francis H. Rowley, president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, believes that the State should recognize the work done by horses, dogs and other animals whose faithful services and whose suffering and death were part of the price paid in the world war waged in behalf of the liberties of mankind.

These were the sentiments expressed by the Committee on State Libraries in speaking in favor of a resolve authorizing the erection of a memorial tablet in the State House in honor of the animals and birds which took part in the war.

Mr. Rowley said that the "Lost Battalion," commanded by Colonel Whittlesey, was found when a pigeon flying from it brought word of its whereabouts to the main American forces in France. Dogs also have carried messages which resulted in the saving of hundreds of human lives, he said.

ADOPTS SIX ORPHANS, REGRETS HE HAS NO MORE ROOMS

Providence, R. I., July 17.—The appeal of Colonel H. Anthony Dyer: "Who will adopt an orphan?" has been answered by Leo F. Myers, well known in sporting circles who has adopted six orphans. They are being tenderly cared for by Mrs. Myers, who told Colonel Dyer she wished her home was large enough to accommodate more. Colonel Dyer's appeal was answered by a number of wealthy East Side residents, who are said to have made arrangements to care for one or more orphans in one of the many institutions.

"I wish there were more men and women like Leo Myers and his wife, and we would be assured of good homes for a number of unfortunate children who badly need homes," said Colonel Dyer.

The adoption of six children by Myers will result in other prosperous men taking children to their homes, in the opinion of social workers.

"It keeps me busy buying for the children, but I enjoy it," is Meyer's comment.

Leo F. Myers was a political leader of prominence in Philadelphia before coming to this city several years ago.

BUEBANK HAS NOTHING ON WESTERN GARDNER

Hutchinson, Kan., July 17.—By crossing a weed with a potato plant Aaron Bell, a Lyons, Kan., truck gardener, has developed a bugless potato. The leaf of the new plant has a weedy taste, Mr. Bell declares, which the bugs do not like, and they will not touch the leaf. On the other hand, the potato plant is not harmed.

While last year was a poor potato season, Mr. Bell grew sixty-five bushels from seven bushels of seed.

DISCUSS TREATY IN PERSONAL TALKS TO G. O. P. SENATORS

President Invites Republican Leaders to Come to White House for Series of Conferences

EXPECTS TO REDUCE OPPOSITION TO PACT

Wilson Will Fail to Lessen Opposition to Unreserved Ratification of the Peace Treaty, Say Republicans

Washington, July 16.—Republican senators have been invited to the White House for a series of conferences with the President.

The conferences, in which the President will have personal talks with the senators, were a part of the aggressive effort being made to obtain the early ratification of the peace treaty, and to lay before the opposition his reasons for asking that the league of nations be adopted.

A half dozen senators, whose names were withheld, were asked to meet the president tomorrow and it was indicated that the invitations would be a daily feature until Mr. Wilson had seen most of the republican membership of the treaty ratifying body. During the day he selected fifteen whom he desires to see this week.

Pending receipt of the invitations, senators reserved their opinions as to the move, although republican leaders opposing the treaty in its present form did not hesitate to predict that the White House talks would fail to lessen the opposition to unreserved ratification.

Those in the president's confidence indicated that the burden of his appeal to the republican senators would concern the league of nations and the Shantung settlement, the two provisions which have aroused greatest criticism in the senate. It was predicted that he would tell his callers the complete details of the negotiations on these points and on any others that might be brought into question.

That it might be in a better situation to consider the Shantung provision, the foreign relations committee agreed today to ask the state department for copies of all available treaties bearing on Japanese and German interests in China.

FARM LAND COMES HIGH

Several Hiawatha Deals at Above \$300 an Acre.

Hiawatha, July 15.—(Special).—Charles Koelliker sold his 160-acre farm, eight miles east of Hiawatha, to Charles Moore for \$55,000. Eight years ago Koelliker paid \$20,000 for the farm. Mr. Koelliker has bought the 160-acre farm adjoining the place he sold, on the west, from William Honer for \$60,000. This makes \$375 an acre. Mr. Moore, before buying the Koelliker farm, sold his ninety-seven-acre place, eleven miles northeast of Hiawatha, to William Ploeger for \$30,000. The total for the three sales was \$145,000, or an average of \$347.72 an acre.

EVEN RAT CATCHING GOES HIGHER; NOW COSTS \$1,250

London, July 17.—There seems to be no limit to the increased cost of things in London these hectic days of peace.

The latest rise is in rat catching. The salary of \$1,250 a year offered by the Kent County Council for an official rat catcher marks a distinct rise, as the same official was employed by the London City Council the year before the war for \$240. The latter figure, however, compared unfavorably with the \$500 a year paid in the eighteenth century to the "Rat Catcher to His Majesty," who was also provided with a scarlet uniform embroidered with yellow figures of rats destroying wheat sheaves.

BEATS RUG ALTHOUGH WASH WAS OUT; FINED \$50.00

Boston, July 17.—Has a woman who lives upstairs the right to beat her rugs at a time when the washing of the family downstairs is hanging out and right in the path of the rug dust? Mrs. Bessie Gordon, who lives downstairs in a house in Dorchester, thinks not, it developed when she was found guilty in the Dorchester Court of damaging personal property belonging to Mrs. Frances Friedman.

Mrs. Friedman alleges that Mrs. Gordon had slashed a \$75 parlor rug of hers after she had beaten it over the protest of Mrs. Gordon that the Gordon washing was out.

Mrs. Gordon was fined \$50. She appealed.

HOCKERVILLE NEWS

Daily Happenings in Oklahoma's Busiest Mining Town. Miss Goldie Lile - - - Correspondent

Mrs. Ira Moss was shopping in Baxter Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Write have moved to Joplin.

John Moss and family are moving into their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendric were fishing at Riverside Tuesday.

Anna Watkins of Carthage visited John Brown Monday.

Mrs. J. A. Bean who has been ill is improving very slowly.

Allie Rosencrans made a business trip to Baxter Tuesday.

Miss Opal Burros was visiting in Picher Sunday evening.

W. J. Rigney made a business trip to Parcell, Mo., Tuesday.

The Booster meeting Monday was postponed until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherley and baby have moved to Fort Worth, Texas.

Roy McKinley is visiting relatives in Fort Worth and Dallas, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Dixon have moved into Mr. Francis Sanders' house.

Joe Nelson and Mert Gilbert made a business trip to Webb City yesterday.

Max Elliott and Miss Ruth Harp attended the show at Picher Monday night.

Mrs. Marie Walters, Lina Martin and Stella Walters are at Noel, Mo., visiting.

Mrs. Frank Cooper and son of Carthage are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lundy.

Mrs. Sadie Moss and Miss Winnie Moss were transacting business in Tar River Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Arnhart of Joplin were visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Hodge Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Kite are moving their household goods to Joplin, 104 West State street.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Frazer motored to Neck City and spent the day with friends Sunday.

Raymond Arnhart who has just returned from a ten months stay in France, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Hodge Monday.

Raymond Johnson's cousin, S. H. Johnson who has spent sixteen months in France, was visiting in Hockerville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peters and two children, Lavern and Ermil, of Pittsburg, Kan., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hinman of Hockerville.

General Manager Fred C. Fox, who does all the hiring and applying for a job. "I see you want some brakemen and I would like a job," said the man.

"We don't need any," said Mr. Fox, after sizing up the man.

"Then take that ad out of the Eastern papers and quit fooling us fellows," demanded the man. "I came all the way from Philadelphia to get a job in reply to your ad."

"Well, we do need some brakemen," said Mr. Fox, "but we don't need you."

"Why?" queried the man.

"I don't like your looks."

"So you hire a man on his looks?"

"Yes."

"Who in hell hired you?" demanded the job seeker.

"You'll do," said Mr. Fox. "Report this afternoon."

BACK BROKEN, WALKS MILE

New Castle, Pa., July 17.—Mont Weatherby, a farmer, walked a mile to a physician's office with a broken back. A tree had fallen on him. It is believed that the stamina that enabled him to perform this feat will pull him through.

CURB ON BATHERS STOPS EPIDEMIC OF EYESTRAIN

Cleveland, Ohio, July 17.—Fearing an epidemic of eyestrain, Park Director Waite has decreed that bathing suits of the Mack Sennett girl type would not be "worn" on Cleveland beaches. Shoulders covered, and skirts not higher than four inches above the knee are the specifications for Cleveland misses. Stockings may be dispensed with, Waite says, just to show what a liberal guy he is.

YIELDS 25 BUSHELS

Agenda Farmers Have No Kick Coming on Crop

Agenda, July 15.—(Special).—Reports of the first wheat threshed near

Clyde Logan has a new Dodge car.

Mrs. W. E. Brodie is visiting friends in Miami.

Miss Gladys Powell was a Baxter visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Law made a business trip to Joplin Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Powell was a Quapaw visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Mays, who has been very ill is recovering slowly.

G. W. Ludy attended the show at Baxter Wednesday night.

Irving Hocker made a business trip to Miami Wednesday.

Mr. Cooper of Joplin was a Hockerville visitor yesterday.

—X-Ray at Dr. McCormick's Hospital in Baxter Springs.

Mrs. L. C. Hocker is nursing her brother, Floyd Bailey, who is very ill.

Miss Zoe Pike and Miss Alice Whitaker were shopping in Picher Tuesday.

Miss Blanche Powell and Phil Butler attended the show at Baxter Wednesday.

Miss Cleo Dodson spent the afternoon with Miss Gladys Powell Wednesday.

Mr. Edmonder of Carthage, was a business visitor of Hockerville Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Writesman, of Galena, is visiting Mrs. E. Campbell, of Hockerville.

Miss Opal Bain, of southwest Missouri has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Niles.

The Star Cafe has changed hands and the new proprietor's name is Charley Mirick.

Miss Alvia Pickett, of Hockerville, has been seriously ill at her friend's home in Tar River.

Misses Ella Moss, Goldie and Lillie Lile attended the show at Baxter Wednesday evening.

Miss Goldie and Jewel Pendleton attended the show of "Tarzan of the Apes" yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Collins reported the arrival of a baby boy July 15, named Raymond Lee Collins.

Raymond Johnson, Mrs. Maud Ewalt and daughter, Cleo, attended the show at Baxter Wednesday night.

Ed Luchford and John Gates, of Galena, Kan., visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Seamon of Hockerville Tuesday evening.

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Miss Pebble Harris will leave this week for her home in Kansas City, Mo., and from there she will leave immediately for Denver, Colo., Salt Lake City, Portland, and Seattle. She will remain out west the rest of the summer, visiting her aunt of Seattle and this fall will enter a conservatory of music.

Misses Goldie and Lillie Lile entertained Miss Winnie Moss of Hockerville and her sister, Miss Ella Moss of Calvin, Okla., Sunday evening. They served ice cream and cake for refreshments.

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WHEN POKER ISN'T POKER

Cleveland, Ohio, July 17.—"If all those who play for a ten cent limit were arrested I'd be fined for holding up traffic, the crowd would be so great." So said Municipal Judge Howard as he discharged seven card players arraigned before him after learning that a dime was the limit.

STAR ITEMS

Miss Olive Amos of Columbus, was the week end guest of Misses Nettie and Mary Smith.

Mrs. C. W. Karr is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Dale and two children, Marie and Gordon, of Galena; Miss Olive Amos, of Columbus, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith and family, and Mr. Glen Zacher of Baxter Springs composed a picnic and swimming party on Shoal Creek, near the Rickner Bridge Sunday.

Miss Nettie Smith and Glen Zacher motored to Columbus Wednesday evening.

Misses Nettie and Mary Smith and Olive Amos called on Miss Ola Tate Friday evening.

Misses Olive Amos and Mary Smith called on Mrs. A. B. Bryant Friday afternoon.

Miss Nettie Smith and Glen Zacher called on Mr. Zacher's father of Baxter Sunday evening.

Messrs. Lee Jackson and Marion Amos, of Columbus, called at G. W. Smith's last Thursday evening.